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SUBJECT: VISIT TO MOROCCO OF AMIR OF KUWAIT

1. KUWAITI CHIEF OF STATE, SABAH AL-SALIM AL-SABAH, VISITED MOROCCO SEPTEMBER 15 TO 18. GOM MADE EXTRAORDINARY EFFORT TO GET CHEERING THROG OUT TO LINE STREETS ON HIS ARRIVAL IN RABAT, AND PAID HIM MORE THAN USUAL PROTOCOL AND PRESS ATTENTION DURING HIS STAY. ON SEPTEMBER 16 AMIR VISITED MODERN PORT OF CASABLANCA AND NEXT DAY WAS TAKEN TO FES, WHERE HE WAS SHOWN AROUND ANCIENT QARAWIYIN UNIVERSITY. BANQUETS, DECORATIONS, AND TOASTS WERE GIVEN, A ROUTINE JOINT COMMUNIQUE RELEASED, AND AMIR LEFT MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 18 FOR NOUAKCHOTT.

2. COMMENT. MOROCCANS OBVIOUSLY HOPE FOR KUWAITI HELP WITH FINANCING NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN. PAST KUWAITI FINANCIAL

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ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIAL, AND HAS BEEN APPLIED TOWARD

DAM CONSTRUCTION, IRRIGATION, AND MOST RECENTLY A SUGAR
REFINERY IN ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED AREA NEAR OUJDA. NO
REFERENCE HAS BEEN MADE IN PRESS COVERAGE OF VISIT TO ANY
SPECIFIC NEW COMMITMENTS, BUT KUWAITI MINISTER OF STATE
ABD AL-AZIZ HUSAYN WAS QUOTED DURING VISIT BY MOROCCAN RADIO
AND TELEVISION AS SAYING THAT THE SUCCESS OF PAST KUWAITI
ASSISTANCE "LEADS US TO CONSIDR OUR PARTICIPATION IN OTHER
PROJECTS IN THIS COUNTRY WHICH IS VERY DEAR TO US."
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